

## **American Recovery and Reinvestment Act jobs**

Now that the President has signed the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), the difficult job of putting Washingtonians back to work has begun.

The federal government has stringent reporting requirements for stimulus funds to ensure that the funds are being used as intended – and also to show the results. One of the highest priorities is to put unemployed workers back to work or save workers from layoffs – and jobs that are created or saved using stimulus funds must be reported.

Whether you're a state, local or federal agency, a Native-American tribe, or a private contractor, if you're hiring people using ARRA funds, the WorkSource system can help you with both of these tasks.

WorkSource has a list of all Washington workers who are receiving unemployment benefits, including their past occupations. By listing your ARRA-funded job openings with WorkSource, the specialists can screen job candidates for the skills you need – and then refer them to you for consideration.

After you've completed your hiring, WorkSource can produce a consolidated report showing how many jobs you created using federal stimulus money.

## Staffing solutions for local governments and non-profits

It may surprise you to learn that local governments and non-profit organizations can take advantage of ARRA WorkSource services, too.

WorkSource has dedicated business representatives who can help you:

- Advertise jobs.
- Recruit and screen applicants.
- Set appropriate pay rates.
- Get tax credits.
- Provide up-to-date information on current laws and regulations.

Our business representatives will reduce the tracking and reporting burden on your human resource office and help you find qualified applicants fast.

Best of all, WorkSource services are free.

The Employment Security Department has set up a special **ARRA Business Unit** to coordinate reporting and worker recruiting services with local WorkSource offices.

For more information on these services, contact 877-453-5906 or ARRA@esd.wa.gov.

## Let Our Team Help Yours!